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Ministers: All Members /
Pastor: Randy Thomas
22nd Sunday After Pentecost- Green
November 1, 2020

# GRACE

**ONE CROSS, ONE SAVIOR, ONE BODY** 

# **HERE TO SERVE**

District Superintendent.	Eduardo Rivera
Today's pianist	Melba Ward
Technical Support	Vic Ivy & Ray Griffith
	Christina Duarte
Children's Service Lead	ler
Nursery Attendant	Antonia Terrazas
Custodian	Alexis Duarte & Delia Dutchover

# **BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE**

November 1, 2020

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME

**PRAYER** 

CALL TO WORSHIP I Stand Amazed In The Presence # 371

Blessed Assurance # 369

Have Thine Own Way Lord # 382

PRAYER & PRAISE CARD/MORNING PRAYER/LORDS PRAYER

PRAISE & WORSHIP How Great Is Our God

Here I Am To Worship

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 10:34–39

MESSAGE THE THINGS THAT DIVIDE US

By Pastor Randy Thomas

INVITATION TO RECEIVE CHRIST AND ALTAR TIME / JOIN

THE CHURCH

Please let us pray for you and help you any way we can.
Please fill out your prayer/praise card in you bulletin, and place it in the offering.

# THE THINGS THAT DIVIDE US

# Matthew 10:34-39 (NKJV)

34 "Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. 35 For I have come to 'set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law'; 36 and 'a man's enemies will be those of his own household.' 37 He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. <sup>38</sup> And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. <sup>39</sup> He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it.

# I. UNDERSTANDING REALITY

\*Balancing truth and love.

# Ephesians 4:15 (NLT2)

Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.

\*Biblical Worldview and the authority of Scripture.

# Psalm 119:89 (MSG)

<sup>89</sup> What you say goes, GOD, and *stays*, as permanent as the heavens.

# Matthew 5:18 (NKJV)

<sup>18</sup> For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

# II. THE ABORTION ISSUE

# Psalm 139:13-16 (NKJV)

<sup>13</sup> For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. <sup>14</sup> I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. <sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as vet there were none of them.

Jeremiah 1:5 (NKJV)

<sup>5</sup> "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations."

# 1 Corinthians 6:19 (TLB)

Haven't you yet learned that your body is the home of the Holy Spirit God gave you, and that he lives within you? Your own body does not belong to you.

\*Letter to Pastor Adam Hamilton: Thank you, I love you, Mom.

# III. SAME SEX MARRIAGE

\*Romans 1:26-27

# 1 Corinthians 6:9 (GW)

9 Don't you know that wicked people won't inherit the kingdom of God? Stop deceiving yourselves! People who continue to commit sexual sins, who worship false gods, those who commit adultery, homosexuals, 10 or thieves, those who are greedy or drunk, who use abusive language, or who rob people will not inherit the kingdom of God.

\*I was born this way.

- 1 Corinthians 6:11 (GW)
  11 That's what some of you were! But you have been washed and made holy, and you have received God's approval in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.
- \*Billy Graham said "It is the Holy Spirit's job to convict, God's job to judge and my job to love."
- \*Dr. Timothy Tennent: "It has become increasingly clear to many around the world that, despite the importance of the issues you raised, the deeper issue facing many in the contemporary western church is the authority of Scripture. Whenever any denomination experiences a crisis of biblical authority they lose the very objective basis of divine revelation which has so faithfully guided and directed the church over the centuries. As Asburians, I remain confident that you will continue to pray for Asbury Theological Seminary, and, indeed, for all Christians everywhere, that we might be faithful in our sacred calling to know Christ and to make him known."

NOTES:

# \*Please notice the next steps for your card.

NEXT STEPS
I just accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior.
I just recommitted my life to Jesus Christ.
I will learn to see my life through a Biblical worldview.
I will memorize the memory verse this week.
Please mark your next step on your Prayer Card and place it in the offering
Then, keep the next step above as a reminder for the upcoming week.
MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK
Enhasians 4.15 (NLT2)

Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.



- ⇒ Sunday, November 15th is Veteran's Sunday, a day to honor the veterans in our church. We ask you to invite someone to attend in person or online. Also we encourage you to host a watch party with your friends if you're attending online.
- $\Rightarrow$  Join us Monday for a Prayer Meeting at 7pm in the parlor.
- ⇒ Needed: A temporary volunteer to prepare children's story/lesson (on paper) for use during services.
- ⇒ All sermons and bulletins can be found on our website: fsfumc.com, as well as other updates and important information.
- ⇒ El Buen Vecino at 401 S. Valentine is now open for those who need their services. Tuesday and Thursday 2-5, Wednesday 1-5
- ⇒ We have a Food Bank. If you or someone you know can use that service, the office is ready to help Mondays through Thursdays: 9-12 noon and 1-3 pm

# WITH OUR GIFTS

Received last Sunday:Tithes & Offerings\$3,610.00
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# WITH OUR PRESENCE

Last Sunday's Morning Service	24
Online Views (as of Wednesday)	14

# **FUMC MISSION STATEMENT**

New. Life. Now.

# WITH OUR PRAYERS

Ruth & Emily Neyland who have continuing health issues,
Johnnie & Olga Rivera.
Kay Magee.
Denna Sadler.
Sara Borden.
Melba Ward.
Sylvia Thomas.
Eva Gail Abington.

Shawn Beeles who has melanoma behind an eye. Ray Ortiz who has cancer. Sondra Bynum who has a tumor in her thyroid. Kendra Armstrong who has cancer in the uterus. Brett Magee has upcoming knee surgery.

